

## ROOSEVELT WON'T ACT Wants the Hague to Arbitrate the Trouble

WASHINGTON, December 26.—President Roosevelt finally decided today that he would not act as arbitrator in the Venezuelan difficulty. As a result the whole matter will be referred to the Hague tribunal for settlement. The president's decision was announced today after a meeting of the Cabinet.

ITALY INFORMED.  
ROME, December 27.—Ambassador Meyer to-day presented to the Foreign Office President Roosevelt's note on the subject of Venezuelan arbitration. The President says that, although he is very much gratified at the confidence the Powers have shown in him by choosing him as arbitrator, which position he would have accepted if there were no other means of solving the question, he thinks it better to submit the case to the Hague Tribunal, especially as all the Powers concerned are willing.

The President adds that as there is no question of national honor or of territorial consideration involved, after thorough consideration and in accord with all the Powers concerned who have shown an honorable spirit of mutual consideration and moderation, he is glad to be informed that they all have agreed to submit the question to the Hague Tribunal.

GERMANY'S DISAPPOINTMENT.  
BERLIN, December 27.—The German government is disappointed by President Roosevelt's declaration to be arbitrator in the Venezuelan dispute, but in pursuance of his decision will correspond at once with Great Britain and Italy on the subsidiary questions that must now be agreed upon, such as raising the blockade and the definite form of request whereby Venezuela on one side and Germany, Great Britain and Italy on the other, will ask the Hague Tribunal to adjudicate the dispute. The interchange of views on these and other requirements probably will take place at Washington, where the Ambassadors can confer freely with Secretary Hay and obtain through him President Castro's assent to the precise propositions. The German Foreign Office considers Washington a convenient place for further negotiations. Foreign Secretary von Richthofen regrets the long delay which is likely to ensue before the final adjustment of the controversy. He had relied upon President Roosevelt's personality to take up the case and reach a decision quickly. Baron von Richthofen recognizes the declaration in strict accord with his message of December 2 in which, referring to the Hague Tribunal, he said: "It is far better where possible to invoke such a permanent tribunal than to create special arbitrators for a given purpose."

When Baron von Richthofen received Secretary Hay's note this morning he had in his desk the summary of the note transmitted from Washington by the Associated Press.

EXCHANGE OF NOTES.  
WASHINGTON, December 27.—There is now in progress an active exchange of notes between the allied powers, Venezuela and the United States respecting the method of submitting to arbitration the issues which have arisen between Venezuela and the allies. Questions are being put and answered, but it is said that the negotiations are in such shape that it would be extremely injudicious and in fact to make each phase public if there really existed a desire to reach a satisfactory settlement.

AMENDED PROPOSALS.  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 3.—Nothing has been heard from London, Berlin or Rome in the nature of an answer to President Castro's amended proposition relative to arbitration. It is assumed that the holiday season is the cause for the delay. It is known exchanges of views have been made between London and Berlin with the idea of having uniform action by the Allies.

POWERS LAND TROOPS.  
PORT CABELLO, Venezuela, Jan. 3.—The blocking warships of the Powers took all the Venezuelan vessels from the inner harbor here yesterday and landed a force on the waterfront. There was no firing. The occupation is temporary.

## H. F. HARRINGTON OF CABLE COMPANY

H. F. Harrington, who succeeded Mr. Dickenson as the representative here while the first official went on to the Manila shore end, touching at Midway and Guam en route, has been with the Commercial Cable Company since 1884. He began his work in the cable service something more than twenty years ago with the French line at Sydney, Nova Scotia. He served at that station until he entered the Commercial line work, and since that time has been under the direction of Mr. Dickenson. He has been steadily advanced, and is now the right hand man of his all-time chief. He was one of the men loaned to the Pacific company by the Atlantic corporation, and came here only for the purpose of carrying out the plans of Mr. Dickenson, returning soon to his home station. Mr. Harrington is an Englishman, about 40 years of age, and a man of engaging and congenial manner, acute business knowledge and wide experience in his line of work.

## BISHOP OF PANOPOLIS PASSES AWAY AT MISSION

(From Monday's Daily.)

After hovering between life and death for more than a month the Right Reverend Gulstan F. Roper, Bishop of Panopolis and vicar Apostolic of the Catholic Mission in the Hawaiian Islands, died last night at 10:20 o'clock at the Mission House. His death had been expected since 6 o'clock at which time the frail prelate was unable to more than articulate or to raise his thin white hands without assistance. He was unconscious up to the time of his death, unable to see the faces of the devoted clergy gathered near his couch.

The funeral will take place on Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock from the Cathedral, the interment to take place in the Catholic Cemetery on King street. Today and tomorrow the body will lie in state in the parlors of the Mission.

One of the priests entered the sick chamber at 6 o'clock and asked the Bishop for his benediction. The dying prelate lifted his eyes to the cross near by and slowly gave the benediction in Latin, but his hands had to be raised to make the sign of the cross. When at last there was no sign of life the Fathers fell upon their knees and said the De Profundis. Surrounding the bedside were Pro Vicar Libert, Fathers Matthias, Valentin, Sylvester, Senhor A. de Souza Canavarro, Brothers Willebrod, Sylvester, Lawrence and Lappe and Mr. Flynn, Dr. Herbert being the physician in attendance.

Father Valentin has entire charge of the preparations for the funeral and last night decided upon the following gentlemen to act as pall-bearers: F. A. Schaefer, S. M. Damon, Dr. George Herbert, John Ena, F. W. Macfarlane, J. F. Eckardt, John Hughes and Brother Bertram.

There will be a special meeting of Damien Council, Y. M. I., this evening at 7:30 in San Antonio hall and of the Catholic Benevolent Union at the hall of the Society at the same hour.

## PORTO RICAN OFFICIALS ARRESTED FOR FRAUDS

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE ADVERTISER.)

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, Jan. 4.—The scandals in the government culminated yesterday in the arrest of Mayor Egozue, on a charge of destroying the records of the city.

As soon as the news spread that the mayor was to be taken into custody at once there was a gathering of his friends and sympathizers, and the police had their hands full to disperse the mob which filled the streets. In the charges on the crowds many shots were fired, and although several persons were hit none were killed.

Immediately following the arrest of the mayor, a number of other officials were arrested. It is now said that the shortages of the local officers of the government will reach \$43,000.

## ROOSEVELT'S GREETINGS TO THE HAWAIIAN PEOPLE

Prince David Kawanakoa has received the following message from the President:

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 3, 1903.

David Kawanakoa, Waikiki.  
The President is much pleased to receive through you the cordial greetings of the native Hawaiians, and extends to them his hearty congratulations upon the opening of telegraphic communication with Hawaii.

(Signed) GEORGE B. CORTELYOU, Secretary.  
Col. Parker received a message couched in similar phrase.

## TERRITORY MAY GIVE TAX POWER TO MUNICIPALITIES

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE ADVERTISER.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 5.—Attorney General Knox has filed an opinion that the Organic Act gives the power to the legislature to delegate the power of levying taxes to county and municipal governments.

In October Governor Dole requested the Interior Department for an official interpretation of the Organic Act, as to the right of the Territorial legislature to enact laws delegating to counties and towns the power to impose taxes. The question was referred to the Attorney General's Department. It is a question of such wide reaching importance, forming a precedent which may apply to both Porto Rico and the Philippines that Attorney General Knox personally took the matter under advisement.

ERNEST G. WALKER.

## TAFT SUCCEEDS SHIRAS ON THE U. S. SUPREME BENCH

(ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLEGRAM.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—The President will appoint Governor Taft of the Philippines successor to Justice Shiras of the United States Supreme Court, who retires.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 5.—The name of J. W. McKinley, regent of the State University, was prominently mentioned as a candidate for the post left vacant by the retirement of Chief Justice Shiras from the United States Supreme bench.

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE ADVERTISER.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 4.—A Central American steamer arriving today brings further news of the terrible results of the volcanic eruptions in Central America and today's advices would indicate that the celebrated old seaport of Ocos, Guatemala, will shortly be a city of the past. The city is now sinking into the sea. The inhabitants have been panic stricken and are abandoning the town, leaving nearly all of their personal property to the waves that have even now covered up many of the piers of the port.

(SPECIAL ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE ADVERTISER.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 4.—In the Senate tomorrow Senator Morgan will introduce a resolution directing the Executive Department to cease negotiations with Colombia for right of way for the Isthmian Canal and to close agreements with Costa Rica and Nicaragua, for the construction of the canal by the Nicaragua route.

## SUGAR MEN FIGHT THE PHILIPPINES

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE ADVERTISER.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Oxnard urged the President yesterday to use his influence against the bill reducing the tariff on Philippine imports to twenty-five per cent of the Dingley rates. He says he fears great injury to the sugar interests from the tariff reduction. He is now more anxious to avoid danger from the Philippines than to beat the Cuban reciprocity treaty. Many public men are of the opinion that the beet sugar and Havemeyer interests are one, and that Oxnard is representing Havemeyer here.

Senator Lodge introduced in the Senate the bill to amend the act to provide revenue for the Philippine Islands which was approved March 8, 1902. This provides that there shall be levied, collected and paid upon all articles coming into the United States from the Philippine Archipelago, the rates of duty which are required to be levied, collected and paid upon like articles imported from foreign countries, provided, that upon all articles the growth and product of the Philippine Archipelago, coming into the United States, there shall be levied, collected and paid only twenty-five per centum of the rates of duty aforesaid, and that the rates of duty which are required to be levied upon products of the Philippines shall be less any duty or taxes levied, collected and paid thereon as provided by the Act of the Philippine Commission under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury may provide, but all articles the growth and product of the Philippines admitted into the ports of the United States free of duty under the provisions of this Act, and coming directly from the Islands to the United States for use and consumption therein, shall be hereafter exempt from any export duties imposed in the Philippines.

CROWN PRINCESS ELOPES BUT MAY BE RECONCILED.  
(SPECIAL ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE ADVERTISER.)

VIENNA, Jan. 4.—Reports received from sources closely connected with the Court of Saxony, tell of a possible reconciliation between the Crown Princess of Saxony and her husband.

BERLIN, Dec. 22.—German royalty is shaken to its foundations tonight by the announcement that the Crown Princess Louise of Saxony deserted her husband and family on the night of December 11th, renounced her rights to the Saxon throne and fled to parts unknown.

VIENNA, Dec. 23.—The eloping Crown Princess of Saxony has been found, but the discovery of her whereabouts has only added to the embarrassment of the court, for she is at Geneva, and with her is not only M. Giron, the French tutor of her children, the discovery of whose letters enraged the Crown Prince, but also her brother, Leopold Ferdinand, Archduke of Austria and Tuscany, who has also renounced his rights and titles of a Prince of the House of Hapsburg, and intends to marry Marie Adamovic, an untitled though noted beauty.

All courtly Europe is aflame with the most stupendous royal scandal since the tragedy of Meyerburg.

The woman who would have been Queen of Saxony is now a quiet resident at the Hotel Inglaterra, Geneva, registered as the Fraulein Von Oben. It is presumed that she will become Mme. Giron as soon as the Crown Prince has divorced her.

FORTY DAYS FOR ROUND THE WORLD TRIP.

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE ADVERTISER.)

VIENNA, Jan. 4.—Railroad men say that a journey around the world may be made in forty days by next year, depending upon the completion of the relaying of the rails of the Trans-Siberian railroad line.

All travellers who have passed over the Trans-Siberian line have insisted that it would be profitable to make better time with passenger trains. The average speed of the through trains is now not above fourteen miles an hour. The rails laid are very light and these now are being replaced by heavy rails of ninety pounds to the yard, somewhat similar to those in use in the United States.

MOROCCO'S INSURRECTION FAILS AND PRETENDER FLEES.

(SPECIAL ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE ADVERTISER.)

TANGIER, Morocco, Jan. 4.—According to official news received here from Fez, the adroit move of the Sultan, in bringing his brother, Mulai Mohammed, to the capital, has attained the desired object, of depriving the pretender to the throne of his prestige. The pretender has retired discredited to Laza.

PREMIER COMBES WINS HIS ELECTION.

(SPECIAL ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE ADVERTISER.)

PARIS, Jan. 4.—The senatorial elections passed off today without incident. Early returns indicate the re-election of Premier Combes. The government gained thirteen seats.

NEW CHINESE MINISTER TO WED AT PARIS.

(SPECIAL ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE ADVERTISER.)

PEKING, Jan. 4.—Sir Liang Cheng, the new minister designated to the United States, will marry the daughter of the Chinese Minister at Paris, Yu Keng, before leaving for Washington.

TWINS BORN IN DIFFERENT YEARS.

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE ADVERTISER.)

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.—The twin sisters of the Stiff family will celebrate birthdays in different years. One was born on each side of midnight January 1st, 1903.

FACTORIES CLOSE AS COAL SUPPLY IS SHORT.

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE ADVERTISER.)

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—Many factories of the East have been forced to close on account of the scarcity of fuel as a result of the coal strike of the past summer. Thousands of men are idle as coal cannot be obtained at any price.

SHOW APPRECIATION OF PRESIDENT'S ATTITUDE.

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE ADVERTISER.)

LONDON, Jan. 4.—There is a movement in London and Paris looking to the presentation to President Roosevelt of a memorial for his services in the interest of international arbitration.

DAVIS APPOINTED TO SUCCEED TEMPLE.

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE ADVERTISER.)

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Jan. 4.—Judge E. A. Davis, of Marysville, has been appointed Justice of the Supreme Court, vice Justice Jackson Temple who died recently.

GENERAL FRIEDRICH DEAD.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 3.—News of the death at Juneau, Alaska, of General Robert A. Friedrich, United States attorney for the district of Alaska, was received today.

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